

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS covers the results of the MARCH AGRICULTURAL SURVEY conducted the first week of March. Data users are reminded that this report includes INTENTIONS to plant for all purposes. Actual acreage planted may vary. This is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely,

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PROSPECTIVE PLANTINGS

NEW MEXICO: Corn growers intend to plant 140,000 acres of corn for all purposes in 2002, a 7.7% increase over 2001. Intended plantings for sorghum decreased by 12% to 150,000 acres compared to 170,000 in 2001. Winter wheat planted area is estimated at 490,000 acres for 2002, 10,000 acres less than 2001, but still 20,000 acres over the 2000 plantings. Peanut acreage intentions are expected to remain steady at 23,000 acres. Upland cotton acreage is estimated to total 55,000 acres, a 27% decrease below the previous year's plantings. American-Pima cotton is expected to remain stable at 6,000 acres. Intended area for harvest of All Hay is estimated at 400,000 acres, a 5% increase over the past two years.

UNITED STATES: Corn growers intend to plant 79.0 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2002, up 4 percent from 2001 but down 1 percent from 2000. Expected acreage is up in many areas of the United States. All wheat planted area is expected to total 59.0 million acres in 2002. This is down 1 percent from 2001 and the lowest level since 1972. All Cotton plantings for 2002 are expected to total 14.8 million acres, 6 percent below last year. Upland acreage is expected to total 14.5 million acres, down 7 percent from 2001. Upland acreage is expected to total 14.5 million acres, down 7 percent from 2001. Growers intend to increase their plantings of American-Pima cotton to 274,500 acres, up 5 percent from a year ago. Producers intend to plant 1.47 million acres of peanuts in 2002, down 5 percent from one year ago. The 2002 intended sorghum acreage planted for all purposes is estimated at 9.02 million acres, down 12 percent from last year and, if realized, the lowest plantings since 1929.

Crop Summary, Acres Planted, New Mexico and U.S., 2000-2002								
Crop	New Mexico				United States			
	2000	2001	2002 ^{1/}	2002/2001	2000	2001	2002 ^{1/}	2002/2001
	-----1,000 Acres-----			--Percent--	-----1,000 Acres-----			--Percent--
Corn	150	130	140	108	79,551	75,752	79,047	104
Sorghum	165	170	150	88	9,195	10,252	9,015	88
Oats	---	---	---	---	4,477	4,403	5,129	116
Barley	---	---	---	---	5,864	4,967	5,078	102
All Wheat	470	500	490	98	62,629	59,617	59,004	99
Winter	470	500	490	98	43,393	41,078	41,076	100
Other Spring	---	---	---	---	15,299	15,629	15,086	97
Soybeans	---	---	---	---	74,266	74,105	72,966	98
Peanuts	27.3	23.0	23.0	100	1,536.8	1,543.0	1,465.0	95
All Cotton	76.2	81.0	61.0	75	15,517.2	15,787.8	14,770.5	94
Upland	72.0	75.0	55.0	73	15,347.0	15,527.0	14,496.0	93
A-P	4.2	6.0	6.0	100	170.2	260.8	274.5	105
All Hay ^{2/}	380	380	400	105	59,854	63,511	63,743	100

^{1/}Intended plantings in 2002 as indicated by reports from farmers. ^{2/}Intended area harvested in 2002 as indicated by reports from farmers.

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GRAIN STOCKS

Corn stocks in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 5.80 billion bushels, down 4 percent from March 1, 2001. Of the total stocks, 3.36 billion bushels are stored on farms, down 7 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.44 billion bushels, are down slightly from the previous year. The December 2001 - February 2002 indicated disappearance is 2.47 billion bushels, compared with 2.49 billion bushels during the same period last year. **All wheat** stored in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 1.21 billion bushels, down 10 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 339 million bushels, down 12 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 872 million bushels, are down 9 percent from a year ago. The indicated December 2001 - February 2002 disappearance is 413 million bushels, down 12 percent from the same period a year earlier. **Grain sorghum** stored in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 194 million bushels, up 16 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 38.1 million bushels, are down 5 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 156 million bushels, are up 23 percent from last year. The December 2001 - February 2002 indicated disappearance from all positions is 120 million bushels, up 26 percent from the same period a year earlier.

U. S. Grain Stocks, By Position, 2001-2002						
Date	2001			2002		
	On Farms	Off Farms ^{1/}	Total All Positions	On Farms	Off Farms ^{1/}	Total All Positions
	1,000 Bushels					
	CORN					
Mar 1	3,600,000	2,442,999	6,042,999	3,355,000	2,441,473	5,796,473
Jun 1	2,230,800	1,693,158	3,923,958			
Sep 1	753,150	1,145,958	1,899,108			
Dec 1	5,275,000	2,989,715	8,264,715			
	SORGHUM					
Mar 1	40,100	127,027	167,127	38,100	156,151	194,251
Jun 1	19,000	57,411	76,411			
Sep 1	8,900	32,851	41,751			
Dec 1	72,400	241,477	313,877			
	ALL WHEAT					
Mar 1	384,750	953,648	1,338,398	338,500	872,223	1,210,723
June 1	197,270	678,912	876,182			
Sep 1	696,850	1,458,964	2,155,814			
Dec 1	517,890	1,105,565	1,623,455			

^{1/} Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors.